

## **State Planning Project for the Uninsured**

### **TOWN HALL MEETING SCHEDULE**

- There should be seven town hall meetings, one in each region.
- The purpose of the town hall meetings is to foster a dialogue so as to assist the Work Groups and Advisory Council to better understand community perspectives, as they relate to the uninsured.
- Local sponsors will be selected to help with logistics and to draw a broad mix of interested participants.
- Town Hall meetings will highlight the concerns of:
  - Health care providers and purchasers
  - Employers
  - Uninsured
  - Underinsured
- Town halls will be organized to include a series of questions that are arranged into topic areas.
- The town hall design will seek to gather the qualitative information needed to better understand quantitative data findings.
- Information gathered will be useful for:
  - Putting a face to the data, and for
  - Explaining in real terms the impact that the lack of access to insurance has on communities.

The Community Interface Workgroup recommends the following locations. Working with local champions, facilities are being secured for the designated dates,

<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>
Iron Mountain	Pine Mountain	Nov. 2
Gaylord	University Center	Sept. 22
Grand Rapids	(downtown)	Nov. 16
Flint	Riverfront Character Inn	Sept. 20
Lansing	TBA	TBA
Kalamazoo	TBA	TBA
Detroit	TBA	TBA